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AS THERAPEUTIC AGENTS

Examiner: N. E. Jarrell

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 12, 2008, the Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsiders the Requirement in view of the Claim Amendments and the Remarks.